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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Executive Council Meeting on 17 October 1975

Mr. Walsh chaired. Substituting were Messrs. [REDACTED]

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1. Mr. Walsh announced that the position of Deputy Chief of the Product Review Group, IC Staff, is open. Candidates at grades 15 through 17 will be considered, and the job will probably be filled on a two-year rotational basis. Nominations should be forwarded to Mr. Walsh by COB 20 October.

2. The Director has received several memos recently from Assistant Secretary Hall outlining various schemes that would increase Defense Department preeminence in national intelligence, including the tasking of collection plate forms.

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4. One copy of the [REDACTED] was sent to the offices and staffs yesterday. The limit on the number of copies is primarily due to the paper's bulk, not to any sensitivity about its contents. Interested individuals should be given access to it.

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5. The Department of Justice has modified its decision on providing outside counsel for employees being questioned in connection with the investigations. Counsel will not be provided routinely for interviews but will be provided if an indictment or civil suit is in prospect.

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6. Mr. Walsh said there had been a problem with retirees using the "old boy" network to come to the Agency and read classified material. It's important to verify the clearances of former employees before giving them access to any classified documents.

25X1 7. New York Times correspondent John Finney has learned from a Pentagon source of a drastic revision of estimates of Soviet defense spending. Finney will be given a background briefing probably by [REDACTED] A memo on the subject is being sent to Secretary Schlesinger and the story will be carried in [REDACTED]

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25X1 8. [REDACTED] reported on JPRS attendance at the meeting of the American Translators Association. The JPRS participants in a seminar on economics of translation were pleasantly surprised by the lack of hostility. There was only one heckler, and the heckler was criticized by the audience. The JPRS representatives very quickly ran out of the 50 applications they had taken with them.

9. Mr. Eisenbeiss reported that OJCS is having severe problems with equipment and that we can expect delays and difficulties in any projects requiring computer support.

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